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Mrs. Strubey. I will keep after this matter and will again see Mrs. Strubey after Mrs. Russell's visit to her. I feel satisfied that she will then tell me what she knows.

Cornelius Van Clief of Middlebush, N.J., informed Mr. Watson, Purdy and myself that on Thursday evening he had talked with a man named Stroub, who claimed in substance that Erling was lying and further had tried to bring him into the matter with the result that he had been detained at Somerville for several days and accorded none too decent treatment. It was finally decided that Mr. Van Clief should again talk with Stroub and try to pave the way for an interview for me. Of course, if he does not, I will go straight to him and can undoubtedly get his story as he is "sore" at the treatment he was given at Somerville.

Mr. Watson told me that he had been advised that a girl named Hannan, employed in the office Interwoven Stocking Company, 390 George Street, New Brunswick, N.J., might have some information. He requested that I see her.

The girl in question is Helen Hannan. She resides at 216 Baldwin Street, New Brunswick, N.J. She states that Catherine Rastall, a Helen Hannah and herself were employed by the New Brunswick Fire Insurance Company at the time of the murder. One day Miss Rastall asked the other two girls to say that she was with them at the W.M.C.A. the previous Thursday night in case they were ever asked about her. They both told her they would not do so for the reason that on that evening they had both been out for an automobile ride with Carl Ruppert of Highland Park, also an employee of the Insurance Company.